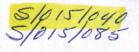


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Miracle Rock Mining & Research Co. P.O. Box 28 Ferron, UT 84532

RE: ML 42844-Clay & ML 42844A-Clay; Mine Access Road

Gentlemen:

On June 21, 2000, I sent you a letter, pursuant to R859-20-2500, directing that both the Miracle Rock Mine and the Rockland Mine use and share responsibility for the existing mine access road through Lots 2&3, Section 2, T23S, R6E, Emery County. On July 7, 2000, Miracle Rock Mining & Research Co. responded with several legitimate safety concerns. The School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration does not desire to place equipment or personnel associated with either of the mining operations in harms way and hereby rescinds said directive. Miracle Rock Mining & Research shall retain sole right and responsibility for use and reclamation of the existing access road to the Miracle Rock Mine (ML 42844-Clay).

The Rockland Corporation is hereby advised to design and propose the construction of an alternative access road to the Rockland Mine (ML 42844a-Clay). It is suggested that the alternative access road be designed such that it takes-off from County Road 915 in the NW4SW4, Section 2, T23S, R6E, and traverse northeasterly to the mine location. Ingress and egress from County Road 915 should be coordinated with the Emery County Road Department. The alignment and width of the access road across Section 2 should be designed to minimize surface disturbance and erosion.

Please contact me if you have any questions in this matter.

Sincerely,

John T. Blake

cc: Tony Gallegos